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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2005 with a shortened statutory period of three months for response. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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